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## A BILLION TO HELP BUSINESS AND FARMING

The funds gathered into the Federal Reserve Banks now aggregate over \$1,000,000,000. This vast sum was not accumulated to earn profits for private interests, nor can it be controlled by private interests. Its purpose is to assist its member banks, of which we are one, in helping the farmers and business men and to make general banking conditions as sound as possible.

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**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK**  
HAYS, KANSAS

Chas. Kyle is here from LaCrosse, visiting friends.

Miss Pearl Shuttles spent Saturday and Sunday with Hays friends.

A. B. Gladhart was up from Lawrence for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Fellers spent Friday in Salina.

G. W. Holland of Russell, is ill at the Hays hospital.

Mr. Boomer of Portis, who was a delegate to the A. O. U. W. Convention held here this week, visited his daughter Margaret, who is teaching in the public school here.

Mrs. Mollie Gladhart and Misses Nellie and Franis Hafamier motored to Ellis, Tuesday.

John Stecklein of Munjor, took his daughter to Kansas City, this week, for medical treatment.

John Nulton and wife were down from Culyton, this week.

Andrew Reidel recently purchased a tract of land near McCracken.

H. E. Malloy went to Lindsborg, this Friday morning, to attend The Messiah which is being held there this week.

N. P. Gassman is erecting his old shoe hospital preparatory to the erection of a new modern brick, on the site of the old one.

Harry Felten has sold the lots now occupied by his transfer barn, and has purchased a tract 100x94 feet of the sand pit, now filled up, on South Fort street and will soon commence building a large transfer barn.

Harry Pratt of Studley, Kansas, was a Hays caller, Thursday.

Schlyer & Arnold have the agency for the International truck. They have one on exhibition.

Paul and Theodore Gross and Claude Wilson returned home Friday night. The boys recently returned from overseas where they had been in the service for some time.

Miss Sutton was called to Nebraska, Friday night, on account of the illness of a relative. She returned home Tuesday night. Miss Beasley taught her classes during her absence.

Miller Brothers sold the U. Moran tract of land to Alex C. Staab and the Martin Gross 160 to Jacob Orth. Altogether they have sold five quarter sections, and in addition, the Jake Kippes residence property in East Hays to John Stecklein. They have several deals pending which they expect to close soon.

## Farmer and Stockman

Never before in our history was there a better prospect for the future, nor were there ever more opportunities presented to the farmer and stockman for financial advancement along all lines, than there are at the present time.

Nature has blessed us with an abundance of moisture, and crop conditions are very favorable.

We are all beginning to realize the necessity for, and the benefits to be derived from intensified and diversified farm and live stock production.

We are in constant touch with the needs of the farmer and stockman, have organized departments to take care of their needs, and can offer you unexcelled facilities for the transaction of all your business requirements.

We invite you to call at any time we can be of service to you.



**Citizens State Bank**  
HAYS, KANSAS

### For Sale

A new Maxwell and a new Studebaker. Terms if needed or will accept cattle in trade.  
W. W. WARD.

The Rebekah Guild will hold a food sale and bazaar at the I. O. O. F. hall, Saturday, April 19, 1919. Remember the day and date.

In the March 22, 1919, issue of "The Federes Weekly" published for the benefit of the soldiers stationed at Fort Federes in France, the following item was noted: "Sergeant Albert M. Bissling and Private First Class Walter Ainslee have been transferred to the Fort of Brest Detachment, Army Service Corps, Fort Federes. The former will soon be promoted to Sergeant Major, and the latter to Regimental Supply Sergeant."

Dr. C. P. Griffith from the Veterinary Department of the Manhattan Agricultural College, is here, called by Supt. Weeks, to investigate the reason for so many cattle dying that are being pastured on the wheat fields. He will be here the balance of this week if any one wishes to consult him.

County Treasurer Fred N. Dreiling returned the first of the week, from a ten days' business trip to Utah.

Mr. Frank Bice left Wednesday for a trip to Kansas City where he will visit his son, Mr. Claude Bice.

Miss Maude Neisley stenographer at the Experiment Station spent Sunday at her home in Wakeeney.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lewis returned Saturday evening from a visit to Mr. Lewis' mother and other points in Missouri.

Miss Freda Helm has been quite ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Albertson but is much improved.

Mr. Clayton Bice walked over from Plainville Sunday. He found walking very exhausting because of the mud. He left Tuesday for a trip to the San Louis Valley Colorado.

Rev. A. S. Hale of Lincoln spent a few hours in Hays last Friday.

Miss Olive Runyon of Ogallah closed her school last week and returned to Hays Sunday night to resume her studies at the Normal.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Albertson was taken suddenly ill Sunday evening, but is recovering very satisfactorily.

Mrs. Germann and Mrs. Jones of Kanaroda, mother and sister of Miss Lulu Germann of the Normal have been spending a few days in Hays.

Wednesday afternoon a number of pastors of M. E. churches held a meeting in the interest of the centenary movement of that church. In the regular Wednesday evening service the congregation enjoyed talks from some of these men. The principal talk was made by Rev. U. S. Brown a former District Superintendent and who spent six months in Panama.

The Hays friends of Prof. T. W. Walls of Russell are grieved by the loss of a child which died last Thursday from Scarlet fever.

Mr. W. H. Bird of Kansas City Kan., is the guest of his sister Mrs. C. M. Stock. Mr. Bird is State Deputy of the A. O. U. W. and arrived Saturday to attend the session of that order that assembled in Hays this week. Because of some important matter being still in Topeka Mr. Bird made a hurried trip to Topeka Sunday returning Monday morning.

Mr. Harry Stock who teaches at Bunker Hill and his wife who teaches at Oakley visited together Sunday at the home of Mr. Stock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Stock.

Rev. L. A. McKeever, the newly appointed District Superintendent of the Hays District of the M. E. church, with his family arrived from Belleville last week. They had much trouble in finding a modern house but have secured the house on Chestnut Street formerly occupied by the family of Mrs. Garrett but are compelled to wait to get possession meanwhile they are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Snapp. Their children, a son and a daughter entered the high school Monday.

At a meeting of the newly elected City Commissioners Tuesday night, L. C. Manning of South Haven, Michigan, was chosen City Manager at a salary of \$3,000 a year.

Easter Program at Methodist Church

The "Willing Workers' Class" of the Methodist Sunday School who are the High School and Normal Academic girls, will conduct the evening service April 20 at 8 o'clock, presenting the following program:

Piano Duet, Arbutus Wise and Lucille Miller.  
Piano Prelude, Adah Miller.  
Processional, "Holy, Holy," Willing Workers Class.  
Congregational Song and Prayer.  
Orchestra Number, Led by Mr. Albertson.  
Easter Scripture, Read by Class.  
Easter Poem, Mabel Thiel.  
"Immortality," Ruby Thomas and Hallie Overholser.  
Chorus, "The Garden," Willing Workers Class.  
"Transforming the Cross," Reading by Maude Taylor with exercise by Class.  
"Hallelujah Christ in Risen," Ant-  
hen by Class.

Reading, Risen Indee," Nellie Shea.

Solo, Faythe Logan.  
Talk, "Our Easter Gifts, Mrs. Snapp.

Offering.  
Trio, "In Old Judas."  
"All Hail the Power," Congregation.  
Benediction.

### PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

The Grades are practicing a Cantata and dances for an entertainment for the Music Festival Week, under the direction of Misses Mitchell and Craig.

Clem Biasing was absent from school several days last week, helping his brother in the store.

The Ellis High School agriculture class attended the Station round-up Saturday, April 12, in a body. Several of the Hays boys and girls helped at the Station.

Lloyd Wilson, alias Blue, according to the long established custom, phoned and asked to be excused Monday, because of the manual labor connected with putting in the glass in Oshant's window which had been previously filled with dollar bills. Blue succeeded in getting through the window, but the bills were gone and the boys dug laboriously in their pockets to pay for damages done.

All the students who did not want to go home for dinner, Wednesday, the day of the snow-storm, ate at school. Miss Morgan and the freshman domestic science class prepared the meal at a very small cost.

Rev. L. A. McKeever and wife arrived at Hays, Thursday evening, where they will live. Rev. McKeever is the District Superintendent of the Hays District in the M. E. Church. They will stay at the home of Rev. Snapp until a suitable house can be found. They have two children, Franklin and Laura, who arrived Sunday night. They are both High School students, Laura a Sophomore and Franklin a Senior; they began their work at school Monday morning. The McKeever family are from Belleville, Kansas.

The ex-high school students, Raleigh Ransom, Paul "Bush" Gross, and Claude Wilson, have arrived home within the last three weeks. These boys have seen service in France. Several of our service stars have returned and we are wishing to see the rest back. We are hoping to have a visit and speeches from those already back.

The Boy Scouts have been meeting the night trains and taking the A. O. U. W. delegates to their rooms. The scouts are: Ashba Hedges, Joe Addison, Earl Barry, Lawrence Bemis, Albert Nickles, Carl Blender, John Sites, Donald Maude, Jake Felten, Ernest Ruff, Devere Collman, Carl Malmberg, and Ira Rhodes.

Plans are being made for furnishing the north room, number nine, for a reception room. The estimated cost is about \$113. The proceeds from the "Princess Chrysanthemum" will probably be used for this.

Miss Mary Oliver and her sister, Josephine, from Russell, as representatives of the A. O. U. W., visited the high school Monday morning, April 14. The botany and shorthand classes have finished their books for the year. The shorthand class has taken up letter writing and the botany class is going to take up the study of flowers and buds.

The School Board held a meeting last week and arranged to have school close and the Commencement exercises on the 21st of May.

The Alkulana Camp Fire have decided to have a social meeting once a month. The first one will be held Tuesday evening in the Boy Scout room. Arbutus Wise, Hazel Straley, and Mildred Howie are the committee to serve refreshments.

The Seniors received two rings and a pin Wednesday. This completes that part of their order. They are now awaiting the cards and announcements.

Miss Sevier went to Topeka, Saturday, on business. Mr. Shively is teaching her classes during her absence.

There is a movement afoot among the Scout leaders to have the twenty-two counties in the Sixth District get together and hire a Scout executive with his home here or at Beloit. They are writing to the school principals and newspapers to get everybody interested.

### Easter Song Service.

At the Presbyterian church' special Easter services will be held both morning and evening. In the morning the pastor will preach his Easter sermon, the subject being "A Complete Redemption," and there will be three musical numbers.

In the evening the choir, assisted by Mrs. Malloy, violinist, and Miss Elma Creighton, contralto; and by Meadames Lee and Flood, readers, will give the following program:

Prelude for violin  
Hymn  
Invocation  
Anthem, The Palms.....Faure  
Arranged for quartet by Dudley Bush  
Contralto Solo  
Reading, Little Redhead.  
Margaret Hill McCarter

Mrs. Flood

Trio from the Cantata "He is Risen".....Schuecher  
Offertory  
Tenor Solo, Jesus Lives

.....Edwardo Marzo  
(with violin obligato)  
Anthem, The Resurrection.....Shelley  
Duet for soprano and alto, They have taken away my Lad, Ashford

Readings { In Flanders' Field }  
Easter Lilies  
with musical accompaniment  
Mrs. Lee

Soprano Solo (with violin obligato)  
Anthem, The Soft Sabbath Calm  
.....Barnby Shelley  
Benediction

Ellis County a Banner Wheat County  
Ellis County is one of the thirteen banner wheat counties in the State. Reno County leads with 298,364 acres, with Sumner County a close second, with 296,837 acres. The following are the figures:

Reno	298,364 acres
Sumner	296,837 acres
Barton	293,903 acres
Ford	272,891 acres
Pawnee	270,374 acres
Stafford	242,702 acres
McPherson	228,537 acres
Rush	220,777 acres
Ellis	220,249 acres
Thomas	208,560 acres
Rice	207,648 acres
Russell	204,050 acres
Sedgwick	202,497 acres

### Chamber of Commerce Luncheon.

The Chamber of Commerce luncheon was served in the M. E. church by the Baptist ladies and was well attended.

Mr. Oshant, one of the new City Commissioners, stated that the Commissioners had received a large number of applications for the position of city manager. These applications came from almost every state in the union. Five of these men had come to see the commissioners, one of whom would probably be officially chosen at their meeting that evening as the commissioners felt that they had found the right man, and expect him to be here by May 1.

Mr. Weeks outlined a plan for a farmers' laborers bureau.

The President stated that the demand for modern cottages greatly exceeded the supply and asked for a discussion of the question Mr. Dings presented a proposition from the lumber firm of C. Schwallier's Sons.

Mr. Beeby asked that an "Own your own home" campaign be prepared. A committee was appointed to take up the question.

Rev. L. A. McKeever to Hays  
L. A. McKeever, pastor of the M. E. church here the past year, having been appointed to the District Superintendent of the Hays district, at the late annual conference held in Lindsborg, is moving this week to Hays with his family to take up his new work. Mr. McKeever, being a man of exceptional ability along spiritual lines, apparently was the one best suited for the Hays superintendency in the eyes of the conference, and his appointment not only came as a surprise to himself, but to his congregation, and while the community as a whole is sincerely sorry to lose this estimable family from our midst, the best wishes of all go with them to their new home.—Republic County Democrat.

### War Tank Coming

The following received by J. M. Schaefer today, reads as follows: Kansas City, Mo., April 16, 1919. J. M. Schaefer, Hays, Kansas. Will have train stop two hours at noon, Sunday. Will be at Russell balance of the day.

Signed, WORLEY.  
The tank will be in charge of a government tank officer. It will be taken off the cars and a demonstration will be given on the streets. This tank has been in overseas service.

This will probably be the only chance that a majority of the citizens of Hays will ever have to see a sure-enough fighting war tank. Better be on hand Sunday.

Saturday Afternoon Club.  
The Saturday Afternoon club will meet with Mrs. Garrit Snyder, April 19th at 2:30 with Miss Sutton as leader.

The following program has been arranged.  
Every day English.....Mrs. Snyder  
Education in Americanism.....Mrs. C. W. Reeder

The new Test for College Entrance.....Mrs. W. A. Lewis  
Building Up Our National Physique.....Mrs. F. B. Lee  
The Post War Work of the Red Cross.....Mrs. Geo. Philip, Jr.

Each member is asked to bring a guest.

Notice.  
The County Diploma Examination will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 25th and 26th, 1919, at Hays, Ellis, Victoria, and Turville, and such other places as may be selected later.

The order of the subjects will be as follows: April 25th, Reading, Arithmetic, Physiology, Civics, Geography, Kansas History; April 26th, Writing, Classes, U. S. History, Spelling, Grammar, Agriculture.

Louis Christiansen,  
Co. Supt.

### Liberty Bonds

I want to buy a few Liberty Bonds. Third and Fourth issue preferred.  
J. H. Downing.

### ROUND-UP AT HAYS, APRIL 12

Station Issues Circular On Feeding Tests

The Sixth Annual Round-Up at the Fort Hays Experiment Station was held April 12. Much interest was shown in the results of the winter's Experiments with 335 head of cattle. The results were published in an attractive twelve-page circular, which the Station will be glad to send free to all who ask for it.

Stockmen came by train as far east as Kansas City, Liberty, Missouri. Others came in from as far west as Colby and Wallace.

Round-Up visitors were especially interested in an experiment on feeding Russian thistle hay. The Station found that twenty cows receiving nine pounds of thistle hay, eleven pounds of straw, and fifteen pounds of silage each per day wintered as well as another lot treated the same except that nine pounds of alfalfa was used instead of thistles.

Another experiment showed that 11.23 acres of kafir as silage had as much feeding value for wintering cattle as twenty acres of kafir fed in the form of dry fodder. None of this kafir contained much grain.

It has paid best to winter heifers on a normal roughage ration and not have them calve until three years old, according to another experiment which has been run for four winters. This plan paid better than crowding them to earlier maturity by feeding expensive grain.

The results of several other interesting experiments are shown in the circular already mentioned.

### FARMERS AND SCHOOL BOARDS

#### Planting Trees

A tree well planted is half grown. One of the most discouraging features of tree planting in the vicinity surrounding the Hays Experiment Station and extending out into Colorado is the lack of sufficient moisture. We have had more rainfall from September first to April first this year than in any similar period since the Spring of 1899.

The above facts make this the best tree planting season in the past twenty years. That the farmers and town people are aware of this fact is evidenced by the abundance of tree orders being received by the nursery department of the Fort Hays Experiment Station, which department is maintained for the purpose of growing trees and shrubs adapted to the dry sections of the state. By April first, they were completely sold out of Mulberry, Catalpa and Thorny Honey Locust. They still have a limited quantity of Elms, Hackberry, Ash, Osage Orange, and Poplars.

There yet remains at least three weeks' when tree planting may be done with good assurance of satisfactory results, and orders in good numbers continue to reach the Station nursery daily.

#### Antiquity of Disease.

The antiquity of disease is shown by the recent discovery of Prof. Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington. He found fossilized toxic, or poisonous bacteria, at the base of and far below the Cambrian rocks. These rocks had originally lain 36 miles below the earth's surface, but had been upheaved by some tremendous convulsion. Theirs is an age of 30,000,000 years ago.

Gid C. Joy, Deputy Grand Master Workman, who was here attending the A. O. U. W. Grand Lodge, was suddenly called to his home at Quinzer, on account of the serious illness of his wife.

#### Some Rats.

Lantz makes the amazing estimate that the progeny of a single couple (of rats), if undestroyed, would number 20,000,000 in three years, and this number is even below the theoretic figures.—Scientific American Supplement.

#### Seagulls Foretell Weather.

It is a widespread belief, both in Scotland and in Ulster, that "Seagull, seagull, sit on the sand. It's never good weather while you're on the land," alludes to the fact that when the birds fly out early and far to seaward, or remain on the sand, fair weather may be looked for; while if they take a contrary course storms most frequently follow.

#### Right Idea About Business.

The old idea that business is getting the better of your neighbor is not only "bad business," but nonsense. Business is not getting the better of but doing the best for your neighbor—and yourself. If business is not mutually profitable, it is mutually destructive. My neighbor's property helps mine and mine his. When that old pernicious notion is finally exploded the millennium of business will be at hand, the era of universal peace between capital and labor.—Lord Leverhulme.

#### Memorial to Fallen Heroes.

In Japan is a tall stone monument erected as a memorial to the horses killed in the Russian-Japanese war. It stands in the public park of the town of Sano in the Tochigi prefecture. A photograph of the townsfolk gathered about it shows the headman of the district attired in a Prince Albert coat. General Viscount Oshima, one of the heroes of the war, wrote the principal inscription, from which it appears that 1,260 horses from the county and vicinity are so remembered.

#### Albatross Wonders Its Flyer.

The albatross spends its life, with the exception of a few weeks given each year to nesting, entirely at sea and is on the wing practically all the time. Furthermore, it does not progress by flapping its wings, as most birds do, but seems to soar at will, rarely, if ever, giving a stroke of the wing seeming to need no impetus. At nesting time, which is early in the year the albatross repairs to an isolated island, such as one of the Crozet Islands, in the southern Indian ocean, or Tristan da Cunha, in the South Atlantic ocean.

"EASTER SALE"  
"White Goods" at Oshant's Variety Store, Saturday, April 19.

#### Shorthorn Bulls

We have some very fine ones now ready for service.

W. J. MADDEN.

#### For Sale

I have ten purebred Plymouth Rock Roosters for sale. Who wants them?  
—Lewis Johnson.

#### Holstein Milk Cows

Nice young Holstein cows in milk for sale.

W. J. MADDEN.

#### For Sale

1 9-room house frame and cement, 28 by 33 feet.  
1 2-room house, 14 by 28 feet. Both houses modern.  
Windmill and 75-barrel tank on cement block tower.  
2 lots 16 and 18, block 9, \$4,000, half cash, balance 8%.

WM. O. BLACKMUN.

## Prepare Against The Unexpected

HAIL storms come at those times when they are least expected.

CROP protection includes insurance against the hazards or losses which are recognized as natural risks.

HAIL Insurance is one form of protection against the destructive influence of the elements on the tender crops.

...We are always glad to consult with farmers on this phase of crop protection.

**The Farmers State Bank**  
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